NATIONAL OPENS 1919 SEASON WITH TWIN

DIXIE MAJOR'S SKIRTS CLEAR

Rule Calling for Releasing Player After Three Years Would Be Life Saver.

BY BOB PIGUE.



ESPITE THE FACT that

ESPITE THE FACT that Organized Baseball stands convicted of being a trust and with damages of \$240.000 having been awarded the defunct Baltimore Federals on the plea that a haseball monopoly had prevented them from operating, the Southern league, a member of Organized Baseball, has its skirts clear, thanks to a rule adopted at the fall meeting of the Dixie major in Birmingham. The rule, which calls for the unconditional releasing of a player after he has been on a team three years, was fostered by Charley Frank, Atlanta president and manager, and was overwhelmingly adopted by the club owners assembled.

The legalizing of contracts was accomplished by the new rule, and with its adoption the Southern came within the decision of the jury in the Federals, who stated that the strongest point the Federals made against Organized Baseball was the reserve clause under contracts indefinitely to the jurisdiction of Organized Baseball. The Southern league role, which has been operating along the same lines of all other clubs within the jurisdiction of Organized Baseball, decided at the fall meeting to make the new rule calling for the releasing of a player after he has been on a club for three seasons. The majors have no such rule, and consequently the finding of the jury was against them, the Federals were able to make out a strong case against Organized Baseball owing to this fact.

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Earl Puryear Gives Nate Jackson a Lacing In Texas

FORT WORTH, Tex., April 19. (Spl.) -Earl Puryear, Tulsa phantom, administer a thorough lacing to Nate Jackson hanging on at the final bell. night in 15 rounds. With lightning speed and terrific body blows and a fast right-hand uppercut, Puryear had Jackson hanging at the final bell.

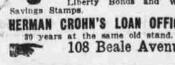
SHOOTING CONTEST.

CHICAGO, April 19.—After a lapse of 13 years the Chicago Athletic association and the New York Athletic club are to renew athletic relations on May 21, when the first half of a dual shooting contest between teams of the two organizations will be held on Travers Island, New York. In 1907 relations between the clubs were severed owing to differences over the national water pole championship and since that time no teams representing the clubs have met.

have met.

The arrangements call for the New York Athletic club to come west to meet the Chicagoans in the returnmatch on Aug. 11, on which date the great American handicap opens here.







ST JOSEPH, Mo., April 19.—Fire of undetermined origin late yesterday destroyed the players clubhouse at the Western league baseball park here, together with the club's equipment, including uniforms. The loss was not announced. HERMAN CROHN'S LOAN OFFICE 108 Beale Avenue





GIANTS WIN.

Two Cities For Big

CUMBERLAND, Md., April 19 .-

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Joe Slattery on Market; Unable to Shake Jinx

Chick First Sacker Offered for Sale and Charley Frank May Take Him-Frank Griffin Lands Job -BY BOB PIGUE-



OE SLATTERY, Memphis first baseman during the 1918 meason, will soon be transferred to another team in the Sunland major, very probably the Atianta Crackers.

Joe has been placed on the market by the Chick officials, and as Charley Frank, the big chief of the Crackers, needs a doorman and is sweet on Siats, it is quite likely that Joe will soon be sporting the regalia of the Georgians. This means that Frank Griffin, who has been in charge of first base for Memphis during the past several exhibition games, will be the regular first sacker this season.

See ably in make on the actions of the first possible flowers.

Frank Sponsors Rule.

Chas. Prain, of the Atlanta Crackers, sponsors and the rule, introduced by the Southern league magnetic theory of the control of t

In First Of Series

The West Tennessee Normal ball club 2.25 cwt.; Western Russets, \$2.35@2.40. will cross bats with the local Univer-ST. LOUIS, April 19.—Poultry—Hens, 29%c; turkeys, 35c; others unchanged. Butter and eggs unchanged. sity of Tennessee team in the first of a three-game series this afternoon on Normal campus, beginning at 2:30 FORT WORTH, Texas, April 19 .- Cat-

o'clock.
The U. of T. lineup will likely be as follows: \$8.50@14.50. Hogs—Receipts, 500; steady to 5c lower; heavy, \$20.00@20.35. Sheep—Receipts, 4,100; slow and draggy; lambs, \$15.00@19.00. as follows:

Glancy, c.; Wilson, p.; Sussman, lb.;
Sims, 2b.; Savery, ss.; Tucker, 3b.;
Donaghue, lf.; Baker, cf.; McCreary, rf.
Probable Normal lineup;
Patrick, p.; Moore, c.; Leake or
Carnes, lb.; Aycock (C.), 2b.; Craig,
3b.; Crawford, ss.; Johnston, lf.; Faulkner, cf.; Wilson, rf.

CHICAGO, April 19.—Butter higher; creamery, 5506314c. Eggs unsettled; receipts, 29,975 cases; rsts, 390741%c. Poultry, alive, unchanged. Considering Only

NEW YORK, April 19—Butter steady; receipts, 12,387 tubs; creamery, firsts, 54@55c. 54@65c.
Eggs firm; receipts, 42,516 cases;
Southern section firsts, 41½@43c.
Poultry, alive, firm; brollers, 85@90c;
stags, 25c; fowls, 38@39c; turkeys, 22
@40c. Heavyweight Mill George C. Smith, secretary of the Cum-

Dressed poultry steady and unberland chamber of commerce, received a telegram yesterday from the delega-tion sent to New York to see Tex Rickard, to bring the Willard-Dempsey bout here, to the effect that Cumber-land and but one other city are now in the field, all others having been eliminated, and that Rickard notified all other promoters to withdraw. SAVANNAH, Ga. April 19.—Turpentine firm, 72½; sales, 24; receipts, 5; shipments, 1,172; stock, 16,482,
Rosin firm; sales, 945; receipts, 9; shipments, 580; stock, 55,775. Quote: B, 11,50; D, 11,55; E, 11,65; F, 11,70; G, 11,75; H, 11,85; I, 12,00; K, 13,25; M, 14,20; N, 14,25; WG, 14,50; WW, 14,75.

BIG FOOD EXPORTS BRING FIRM MARKET

CHICAGO, April 18.—Immense shipments of foodstuffs to Europe have resulted this week in record-breaking high prices for provisions and have lifted cereal values to the topmost level yet this season. Compared with a week ago, the corn market this morning was ic to 25c up, oats at an advance of 15c to 55c and provisions showing gains of 50c to \$2.80.

Food administration officials were quoted as saying that life and order in Europe depended on the speedy outflow of supplies from this side of the Atjantic and that a comprehensive survey indicated world demand for wheat would absorb virtually the entire survey indicated world demand for wheat would absorb virtually the entire survey indicated world demand for wheat would at the time of the control of

Oats displayed independent strength on account of serious delays to seeding. The big jumps in provisions were ascribed to the urgency of export demand, together with a falling off in the volume of hog arrivals.

MARATHON BACE.

BOSTON, Mass., April 19.—Clear, brisk weather greeted the half hundred starters in the annual Marsthon race held under the auspices of the Boston Athletic association today. This, with a field of runners that included several with international reputations, drew large crowds along the 25-mile course from Ashland to Boston. The record time for the course is two hours, 21 minutes and 181-5 seconds.

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Canadian Pacific
Central Leather
Chesapeake & Ohio (bid)
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul (bid)
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Willys-Overland
American Tobacco
Atlantic Coast Line (bid)
Gulf States Steel
Scaboard Air Line (bid)
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron
United Fruit
Virginia Caro. Chem.
N. Y., N. H. & H. (bid)

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GRAIN MARKETS

Many Speculative Issues Ac- Further Advance in Corn Influenced by Rapid Absorption of Wheat.

Open, High, Low, T'dy, Pre. 69 May 1.58% 1.61 1.58% 1.61 1.59 54% July 1.52 1.55% 1.52 1.55% 1.52% 6914 70% 6014 70% 6814 67% 68% 67% 6815 67% May ... 48.95 48.90 48.95 48.75 May ... May ... 28.40 26.67 26.35 26.65 26.50

Corn—No. 3 yellow, \$1.59\fa1.61, No. 5 yellow, \$1.57\fa1.58\fa1.80, No. 5 yellow, sominal. nominal.
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Timothy, \$7.00910.75.
Clover, nominal.
Lard, \$30.10. No. 3 white, 70%@70%c; stand-

KANSAS CITY, April 19.—Cash wheat e to 5c higher No. 2 hard, \$2,55672.58, No. 2, \$2.53; No. 1 red, \$2.60; No. 2, \$2.58. Corn lc to 4c higher; No. 2 mixed, \$1.73½; No. 2 white, \$1.69%1.70; No. 2 Cats ½c to ½c higher; No. 2 white, Oats ½c to 1½c higher; No. 2 white, yellow, \$1.6801.71. Rye, \$1.63.

ST LOUIS, April 19.—Corn.—No. 3, \$1.59671.60; No. 3 white, \$1.82671.63; Oats.—No. 2, 70c; No. 3 white, 7167

ROUND THE TICKER

Chicago—Hog prices broke at the Chicago yards yesterday 20e to 25c, which put them 40c below the high point of the week. The closing trade 128 by 152 by 152

Chicago—Grain forecast: Ills., Mo., N. D., Kas.—Generally fair tonight and Sunday; cooler in west and northwest. Wis. Minn, S. D. and Neb.—Unsettled tonight and Sunday; cooler in west and northwest.

BUSHWAH LEAGUE.

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Standing of clubs

W. L. Pct.

Teams

2 6 1,000

0 2 000 Sunday's game, Hodges' feld.
The third game of the Buswah league will be played Sunday morning at hodges' field. The contest will be started at 10 e'clock sharp. All players are requested to report on time. The Dooleys are determined to increase their lead, and the Van Vleets state they are a sure bet to win. The Dooleys haven't lost a game this season, while the Van Vleets have dropped two.

two.

Although Manager Fonplano hasn't decided who will pitch for the Van Vieets, it is probable that Baker will be sent to the mound. Schoor probably will hur! for the Dooleys.

PINE BLUFF TRACK MEET. PINE BLUFF TRACK MEET.

PINE BLUFF, Ark., April 19. (Spl.)

The plans for the first track meet since the war to be held on April 19. have been completed and programs announced and officials named.

The officials are as follows: Referee and starter, L. E. Bassett, time keepers Henry Jordan and H. C. Stephen, clerk of course, Prof. Burham, clerk, W. E. Kirk: judges of races, A. G. Bedell, S. C. Flint, H. H. Knox and Joe Henslee, Judges of jumps, Charlle White, T. S. Dewoody, Harlow Sanders and Harry McIntyre. Chief announcer, Frank Toney, score keeper, Herbert Bluthenthal.

tial.
Spelling contest, Miss Florence Mc
Cain for intermediates, and Miss Cum
mings for primary.
Muric contest, Miss Vivian Moore
Miss Sula Dalrymple, Herman Hoff Miss Suns Judges, Mrs. L. E. Bassett, Reading judges, Mrs. L. E. Bassett, Miss Katherine Murphy and Miss Edna Rudolph.

Declamation judges, N. J. Gantt, Jr. T. M. Hooker and Dr. William Breath-

M'HALE IN VAUDEVILLE. M'HALE IN VAUDE VILLE.

Marty McHale, the well-known pitcher of the Red Sox and the Vankeez, who'll return to the diamond this spring, is at present on a vaudeville tour. Marty used to be doubled with Mike Donlin. He also sang with the famous Red Sox quariet. Marty is now singing two songs written by Alex. Sullivan, the New York sporting writer and Lynn Cowan. They are "Klases, the Sweetest Esses of All." declared to be the most popular song in the country, and "I Can't See the Good in Goodbye." Marty will return to the singe in the fail, as he is in big demand as a single on the big-time vaudeville circuit.

SOCCER FINALS.

circuit.

FALL RIVER Mass., April 18.—Hundreds of soccer football enthusiasts from all parts of the country arrived bere to witness the final of the mitigal challenge cup competition games between the Bethlehem, Pa., Field club and the Paterson, N. J., Field club it is understood the champion team will be invited to play a series of games in Norway, Sweden and Denmark next August as the guests of the Swedish Football association.

M. U. S. WINS 6-0.

Memphis University school ball team shut out the Forrest City high school in a good game Friday at Hodges' fight of the final score was 8 to 0. McGoldrick did the hurling for M. U. S., while Thompson occupied the hill for the Forrest Citians.

The score by innings:

ERTLE DEFEATS BALEY. BALTIMORE, Md., April 19.—Johnny Ertie, of St. Paul, was given the de-cision last night in a 12-round bout her-with Frank Baley, of Staten island

TECH TEAM ON ROAD.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 19.—Georgia fech's golf team will leave Atlanta the latter part of this month for a series of matches with Northern and Easters colleges and universities, it was an nounced today. The trip calls for con-tests with Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Pennsylvania. Bobby Jones, Southers champion, is a member of the team.

MILLERS WIN.

At Oklahoms City, Okla: R. H. E. Minneapolls American Asso. 9 14 1 Oklahoma City Western league, 2 8 Schauer and Owens, Griffin, Sampson, Tabor and O'Corner, Hays.

PELS DEFEATED. At New Orleans: R. H. E. lew Orleans Southern Asso. . 2 3 1 hreveport. Texas league 3 9 4 Balley and Kitchens: Verbout, Black, apler, Green and Brannon.

COLLEGE BASEBALL At Greenwood, S. C.; Furman uni-eralty 3-3; Wofford 1-4. Oglethorpe University

ATHLETICS TAKE PHILS. At Philadelphia:

TO OPEN 1919 SEASON

Boston and Brooklyn Clash in Double-Header at Boston Morning and Afternoon.

BOSTON, April 19.—Boston and Brooklyn opened the National league basebell season today with morning and afternoon games at Braves field. The weather was clear but a sharp wind made the patriots' day crowd seek the protection of sheltered stands. Service uniforms were much in evidence in the usual throng of early season fans, veterains of the Yankee division just feturaed from overseas having been given a general invitation to attend as guests of George Washington Grant, president of the Braves.

For the morning games Arthur Neiff was slated to occupy the box for Boston with Dick Rudolph in reserve while Manager Kobinson, of Brooklyn, had Pfeffer, Cadore, Marquard and Grimes in readiness with Pfeffer preferred for the opener. The probable line up::

Morning game:

Brooklyn—

Brooklyn—

Maranville, ss. Johnston, lb.

Brooklyn-Johnston, 1b. () Mara, 3b.

HAS THE MAKINGS

George O'Nelll, the loquacious backstop who went to the Glants a year ago, was farmed out last season and will spend the coming season under Arthur Irwin at Rochester, has lost none of the 'jsep' which caused him to stand out rather prominently in a batch of colorless youngsters last spring at Marlin. He still has more huatle in his maskeup than the average recruit, and he can still talk faster than any two of his fellow rockies. However, conversation is not George's only long suit. He is, for a kid, a mighty good catcher, as records of his past performance show.

Last season, for instance, O'Nelll was behind the bat in 102 games—44 in the Southern association with Nashville and 58 in the international league. He is a fair hitter, as catcher go, averaging probably '250 with the stick over the short stretch of years in which he has played professional hall.

He is a plucky, ambitious kid who dreams of one day wearing a Glant uniform, and he is pursuing the most logical plan to make his dream come true, he is working his head off every time he dons a uniform and steps out on the field. O'Nelll, like Walter Holke, O'llie O'Mara, Bobby Burns and countless others who have reached the major leagues, is a product of the sand lots of St. Louis.

NEW YORK, April 19.—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold \$56,036,030 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is an increase of \$13,079,030 from last week. The statement follows:

ACTUAL CONDITION.

Loans, discounts, etc., \$4,915,502,000; decrease, \$30,485,000.

Cash in own vaults, members federal reserve banks, \$95,962,000; decrease, \$653,000.

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BANK STATEMENT.

Reserve in federal reserve bank of member banks, \$563,000,000; increase, \$23,498,000.

Babe Ruth Gets 4

Homers In Four
Official Times Up

BALTIMORE. April 19.—"Babe"
Ruth of the Boston Americans, who played left field in yestorday's exhibition game with the Baltimore Internationals, made four home runs in six times at bat. The other two times he was given base on balls.

TECH TEAM ON ROAD.

member banks, \$565,000,000; increase, \$23,498,000.
Reserve in depositaries, state banks and trust companies. \$11,758,000; decrease, \$134,000.
x-Net demand deposits, \$4,011,095,000; increase, \$2,460,000.
Yeld time deposits, \$155,111,000; increase, \$340,000.
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Yell demand deposits, \$4,011,095,000; increase, \$2,460,000.

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X-Net demand deposits, \$4,011,095,000; increase, \$2,460,000.

Yell demand deposits, \$4,011,095,000; increase, \$2,460,000.

Significant trust companies. \$11,758,000; increase, \$13,000.

X-Net demand deposits, \$4,011,095,000; increase, \$2,460,000.

Yell demand deposits, \$4,011,095,000; increase, \$2,4

Summary of state banks and trust ompanies in Greater New York, not located in clearing house statement: Loans, discounts, etc., \$790,372,800; in-

crease, \$1.868,100.
Gold, \$8,260,600; increase, \$8,500.
Currency and bank notes, \$15,963,700;
decrease, \$366,700.
Deposits with federal reserve bank
New York, \$59,113,600; decrease, \$316,-Total deposits, \$801,488,200; decrease, \$13,654,900.
Banks: Cash in yauit, \$16,103,200.
Trust companies: Cash in yauit, \$67,=234,700.

DOW-JONES SUMMARY.

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NEW YORK, April 19.—President cables Secretary Redfield urging industrial board and railroad administration to make another effort to reach agreement over stabilization of steel prices and requests no resignations from beard be offered pending his return.

Receiver Garrison, of B. R. T., says \$20,000,000 needed to buy new equipment and provide funds to equalize wages of employes; strike now remote. Bradstreet reports 107 failures in United States this week, against 116 last week and 227 a year ago.

President Wilson expects to sail for home between May 15 and 20; says can not tell when congress will be called.

International Mercantile Marine de-

Philadelphia Americans 7 11 1 2 Selbold, Johnson and McAvoy, Perkins, Geschger, Woodward and Caly.

CUBS BEAT TULSA.

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